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**For : AZO METAL-COMPLEXED DYES, INK JET INK COMPOSITIONS AND
INK JET PRINTING METHODS**

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Waltham, Massachusetts 02451

April 28, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicants submit this Statement in accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56 and prior to any Office Action.

It is requested that the following references be considered by the examiner and be made of record in the above-identified patent application. No admission is being made that these references are prior art, and applicants reserve the right to challenge such a conclusion. The cited references are in the English language.

I.

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,300,418

2. Japanese Patent Application No. 63-231286 (Japanese Laid-Open (Kokai/unexamined) Publication No. 2-80470). See the compound identified as I-1 in the table which appears at the bottom right hand corner of the third page (numbered as 543).

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3. Pyrazolone Dyes and Their Complexes For Use On Synthetic Fibres, I.J. Patel et al., J. Inst. Chemists (Index), Vol. 71, Part 5, 1999, pp 185-186

II. Documents Cited In International Search Report

The following references were cited in the International Search Report mailed March 3, 2004 (copy enclosed) received in applicants' corresponding International Application No. PCT/US03/35844.

1. EPO 061 997 A
2. EPO 947 563 A
3. GB 1 325 507 A

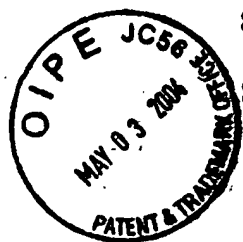
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